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SRM FRANCISCO (GP) - THE UNITED STATES COULD NOT DUPLICATE THE

DRAMATIC ISRAELI RESCUE OF HIJACKED HOSTAGES, SAYS CENTRAL

INTELLIGENCE AGENCY DIRECTOR GEORGE BUSH.

"AND, HE COULDN'T DO THAT," BUSH SAID FRIDAY IN RESPONSE TO A

QUESTION.

"WE DO HAVE A VERY IMPORTANT ROLE IN FURNISHING INTELLIGENCE TO

POLICY MAKERS AND OUR FRIENDS ON THE MOVEMENT OF INTERNATIONAL

TERRORISTS," HE ADDED. "BUT TO INDICATE THAT WE HAVE THAT KIND OF

ACTION CAPABILITY IN THESE TIMES, THE ANSWER IS VERY FRANKLY NO."

BUSH SAID ONE OF THE MAJOR VALUES OF INTELLIGENCE IS TO FIGHT

TERRORISM.

"THE MORE THE AMERICAN PEOPLE UNDERSTAND THIS, THE MORE SUPPORT THE

CIA WILL HAVE," HE SAID.

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